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SOUTHERN TRIP ASSURED.

Varsity to Play in Virginia. Tentative Schedule for Season is Submitted.

The season of 1911, according to all indications will be a record breaker in the annals of Hamilton baseball. The material consists of all last year's team except Titus and Judson, '10, and also some very promising men from the freshman class. The training and experience which the men received from the southern trip last year will show up to advantage in this year's season. It also brought out the specialty of each man so that Capt. Allen will be able to place everyone in the position for which he is most adapted.

Thus there will be several shifts in the line-up which will materially strengthen it. The competition for the other places will be strong and a chance will be given for everyone to show his ability.

The schedule which Manager Pratt has arranged is an inducement to everyone who has any baseball ability to get out and work hard for the team. The schedule is not yet complete and is still subject to revision and the recommendation of the Faculty but most of it will probably stand as it is.

May 3, St. Lawrence at Clinton.
May 12, Union at Clinton.
May 16, Rochester at Rochester.
May 17, Hobart at Geneva.
May 19, Rochester at Clinton.
May 30, Union at Schenectady.
June 7, Hobart at Clinton.

The Southern trip will probably include games with Washington and Lee University, Roanoke, Eastern and Randolph Macon Colleges, and one or two others. If the weather is favorable the trip will nearly pay its own expenses. It will certainly pay for itself in the education and training of the team and in spreading the name of the college.

A game with West Point is also pending which will be taken as a separate trip. Another game is to be scheduled with Colgate at Hamilton between May 19 and 30. The exact date cannot be determined until both teams have completed the remainder of their schedule.

There seems to be no reason why we should not put out a winning tean this year. Capt. Allen believes that the N. Y. S. I. A. U. pennant will go to Hamilton and we want to see it that way. If those who can play baseball will go out for the team hard, and if the students will give their hearty support, there is no doubt but that we can do this.

THE CHARLATANS.

With the foot-ball season completed, and the members of last year's cast available for rehearsals, The Charlatans are engaged in the preliminary work of staging their 1911 production. Just what play will be produced Junior Week is still a matter of conjecture. Wisehart, '11, President of the Charlatans, is searching for a play, adapted to the members of the Club, and containing a greater quota of heavy scenes than was found in "A Nephew of his Uncle." The play will, of course, be a comedy. Several are at present under consideration, including: "The Rivals", "Seven Twenty-eight", "London Assurance", and possibly Wilde's "The Importance of Being Earnest". It is expected that a final choice will be made within a few days, and that the play will be gotten well under way before Christmas.

Owing to the absence of Prof. Shepard, this year's production will probably be given under the Club's own direction with the assistance of Mr. Thomas Jones, of Utica. Mr. Jones, Cornell, '03, was a prominent member of the Cornell Masque, and has had considerable experience in actual stage management. He has also served as assistant dramatic critic of the New York Times.

It is probable that some kind of a competition will be held before the cast is selected. The Freshman class has several men who have been prominent in their Prep. School dramatic clubs, and who will probably be good material to choose from.

MANY CALLED, FEW CHOSEN

They Are "Tad" Weekes' Pupils, However—A Letter Filled With His Experience.

The following letter, which to many will no doubt be interesting, was recently received by Dr. Wood from Weekes, '08:

"Your letter came a few weeks ago and I have been so busy that a month has already slipped by and no answer to it yet. By the time you get this, it will have been three months. Still, not so very long either for it hardly seems but last week since we set sail, or rather the engines started from Frisco. Wasn't it a fine day, the day we sailed? But, oh you ocean!

"What a fine time you must have had on the trip home. You had a long stay in Europe, didn't you? I am hoping to do the same thing some day. Yes, I spent the summer in Japan, and climbed Fujiyama. It was great. It was the first real mountain that I had ever climbed and I can't say that I am anxious to go again at once. It was cold as could be on the top and the snow was great after the hot weather we had been having in Canton. When I returned I went up into the Chinese mountains and stayed a week, ending with a walking trip of five days around the foot of the mountains. Since coming back I have been into the country on horseback, and now I have seen the real China. After all, the cities aren't the place to see China. Your trip up the Yangtez must have been just what you wanted. If one can stand such trips, they are the kind to take. For the winter vacation, I am hoping to get to Hainan or Manila, but can't decide which yet.

"As for the school, I have the finest news possible. We have a fine new dormitory, and another one was started last week. Mr. Graybill has a house all but ready to go into, with two other houses for teachers about to be built. We had fine results from some government examin-

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EIGHTH ANNUAL STUDENT VOLUNTEER UNION CONVENTION

Ralph B. Colson, '11, as President of the Student Volunteer Union, cordially extended to all an invitation to attend the Eighth Annual Convention, to be held at Union College, Schenectady, December 9-11. Dr. W. J. Wauless of India, J. C. Robbins of the Philippines and C. E. Hurlburt of Africa are to be among the speakers. The purpose of the convention is to adaquately present the needs and condition of the heathen world.

About twenty Hamilton men have applied as delegates, and it is hoped that a good crowd will go down to represent the college. A special rate is offered by the railroad, and all men will be entertained by the Union College Christian Association. Applications should be made to Colson, '11.

CROSSING THE BURNING SANDS.

For one night only, Wednesday, November 16, that standard drama, "Crossing the Burning Sands," held the boards in Number 3 Carnegie, under the management of the D. T. Society. Lewis, '13, essayed the stellar role, which he accomplished with a finesse of technique remarkable in an amateur. The first nighters were out in force and declared that the fullest possibilities of the situation were strongly realized.

The performance, improper, was preceded by a free open-air exhibition of fancy diving at the fountain's brink, and was followed by several impromptu feats of skill not on the program.

The complete approval of the audience was voiced in a long Dreizehn that echoed its weird mystery across the night. Despite of his success, Lewis declares it to be positively his "farewell appearance" in the famous role.

—According to agreement the three colleges, Hamilton, Colgate, and Union, all submitted their propositions for debate before the first of November, but as no propositions alike appeared on any of the three lists it will be necessary to vote on topics again.

—A meeting of the Faculty was held Thursday afternoon. Permission was given the base-ball team to make the proposed Southern trip in April.

—Gray, '14, has returned to his classes.

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Stink had two puppes, one called Grisel
Ye other hight Degeen.
In all ye faire Oneida land
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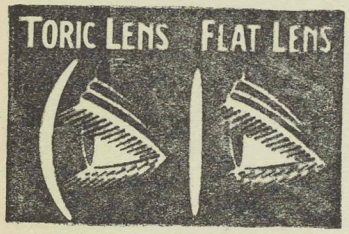

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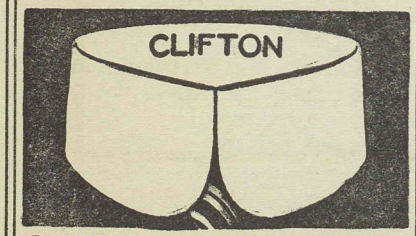

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EDITORIAL.

Last year the constitution of our Athletic Association was revised and amended. Some revision was necessary at that time in order to incorporate the provisions of the recently adopted financial system. Several articles of the By-Laws were also changed, the wisdom for which was not seriously questioned at the time, but their practical operation during the past year, if the letter of the law had been obeyed, would have been unjust and unsatisfactory.

We refer particularly to the second and fifth sections of the first article of the By-Laws which read as follows:

Sec. 2. Those only shall vote for captain of football, baseball and track who shall have won their letters in their respective department during the season.

Sec. 5. Each team picture shall consist of those entitled to vote for captain, together with manager, coach and trainer.

The attention of the College might well be directed to the fact that in the case of last year's track team the fifth section was violated shortly after its adoption in that the team picture contained several men who had not won their letters during the season. We learn from the management that this picture was merely an "unofficial" one, but, as a matter of fact, the official picture was never taken.

The application of this section to the picture of this season's football team would mean that only twelve men would be included and that some of the best football talent in the college, including Harper, Drummond, Peters, and others, would be excluded. In view of the circumstances we strongly urge that another "unofficial" but representative picture be taken for use in the various publications and, if thought necessary, that an official picture be taken to satisfy Sec. 5, Art. I of the By-Laws.

It seems absurd that any man who played thru the Union game, the objective game of the season, the game in which only our best men were used, should be denied the right of a vote for next year's captain or a place in the team picture. Evidently it seemed absurd to the captain of last year's track team who was, if we remember correctly, in part responsible for this section.

In most colleges the big game of the season entitles a man to a letter or, at least, counts double, but evidently we do not consider it sufficient evidence of a man's worth to afford him a place in the team picture. It may not be probable but it is very possible that circumstances might be such that there would not be eleven men eligible. There are only twelve this year. Most any requirement for eligibility might at some time seem to discriminate or seem unjust, but any requirement which meets with universal dissatisfaction must be unjust. The former articles of the By-Laws which required that a man play one whole game or parts of two to entitle him to a vote for captain or a place in the team picture were far more just than the present ones.

The By-Laws should be amended. This can be done by a majority vote at any regular meeting of the Athletic Association. We may not violate the letter of the constitution of the Association but if we continue to violate its spirit we weaken its authority.

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The prospects for a satisfactory baseball season next spring were substantially increased last Thursday by the favorable action taken by the Faculty relative to the Southern baseball trip. The five days' absence from College which is allowed will enable the team to play several games early in the season and afford an opportunity for practice and training which should prove valuable for the success of the regular schedule. In order that the team receive full benefit from the trip it is necessary, as far as it is possible to ascertain beforehand, that the men who are to compose the regular Varsity team next season shall make the trip and that none shall be prevented from so doing on account of a neglect of college work. It is up to the baseball men to make good during winter term in order that Hamilton may be favorably represented in the South next spring., that the training thus received may contribute to a successful season and in making a Southern trip a permanent fixture.

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The College will undoubtedly be pleased to learn that the Press Club has organized for the year and that one bulletin has been issued. Of course it is better that the Club be organized late in November than not at all and one bulletin is better than none. Had the Club been disposed to organize at the time of the opening of College some excellent material for bulletins would have been available as would have been the case also during the football season. Undoubtedly the attention of the Club will now be directed to the writing of exhaustive accounts of the achievements of the Freshmen for free publication in the "home papers." By this means the College may receive some advertising; the individual certainly does and in an embarassing and disagreefine its offerings to the news of the able way. Should the Press Club confine its offerings to the news of the College rather than to that of the individuals within it, the results would probably be equally effective.

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An early issue of Life will contain a four page illustrated football supplement. This supplement will include a general review of the season and a constructive criticism of the work of the individual players. Orders for extra copies of this number should be placed with the management.

MANY CALLED, FEW CHOSEN.

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ations which were given for America last spring. Out of two hundred and sixty odd students, twenty-six were chosen, of which fourteen were from the C. C. C. These twenty-six were re-examined and six were chosen, of which five were from C. C. C. These men have entered America now. That is to say, three have gone, and the other two are in Pekin preparing to go the following year. We have not yet heard what schools they entered upon arriving there.

"As for Canton, we can report great improvements in all departments. The bund is almost completed from the eastern end of the city way through to Shamun. The Hong Kong Railroad has opened this end for thirty miles. A large shoe factory has been built across the river from us. A la Chinese they have the factory, but forgot where they were to get tan bark, so the factory is not of much use. The present viceroy is about to be degraded and a new one to come. Honam, or the city on this side of the river, had a large fire last month and the streets over there are to be widened a great deal. Two big Hong Kong boats are being run nightly, and last but not least, the Henry's, whom you met on the way from Manila, have a baby. How's that for news? Isn't Canton improving? Yes, China is going to get there sometime.

"As for my little self, I have not news of improvement. How on earth can a man read when he must teach from nine to one, study Chinese for three hours, correct papers, play with the boys, and prepare one's lessons? How can one read? How can one even write letters? It is all one can do in the hot weather to be decent. I haven't forgotten how to smile yet although just before going to Japan, I had to smile in my sleep. I could not be agreeable in the awful weather of last June. We all got the same way, but of course we are all right again. Just last week, we have been having many parties preparatory to the wedding this Wednesday. Miss Soles and Mr. Laird are to be connected. Of course, Tad and Charlie will be good little boys and let them be married quietly. In such a firecracker place as Canton, how could the devil himself keep quiet?

"Sometime when you have some leisure moments, tell me about the college. Tell me how Dr. Stryker is getting on; the Commons, and yourself of course. The fellows when they write only tell me how noble and how wonderful I am to give up so much to come away out here. I don't want that kind of a letter. I want a real letter. One gets awfully tired of the 'stuff dreams are made of.' You yourself know what good things we have to eat and how fine a place we live in, and that we don't give up half, no not one hundredth of the things people think we do. However, as much as I try, I cannot convince my friends that Canton is anything but a wild, heathen city. If you get a chance please tell them that Canton is all right, and that if they come out here to live they will get a great deal better place than they do at home.

'TAD' WEEKES,'

The Canton Christian College, Canton, China, October 9th, 1910.

THE EXTENT OF THE COLLEGE.

In glancing over the October catalog, it is interesting to note that Hamilton has representatives from fourteen states and from the West Indies and Japan. New York State naturally leads with a registration of one hundred and forty-one students. Pennsylvania and New Jersey are next with six each; Ohio has five; Massachusets and the District of Columbia have four each; Missouri and Illinois three apiece. California, Minnesota and Utah each have two, while Virginia, West Virginia, New Mexico, Japan and West Indies are represented by one apiece. There are two Fellows in Europe. Among the cities Greater New York leads with a registration of seventeen; Utica is second with nine, and Clinton third with eight. This year's Freshman class has the unusual number of twenty from outside the State.

The increase this year in the number of states represented in the college goes to prove the fact that the college is becoming more widely known. This is without doubt due to the splendid work of last year's Press Club, and to the excellent idea of sending Life to the different preparatory schools both in and without the State. It is needless to say that the Press Club this year is keeping the good work up.

CHESS TOURNAMENT RULES.

The rules and regulations governing the tournament are as follows: (1) No member of the Club is expected to accept a challenge from without the Club during the tournament. However, a special tournament has been started for those who are seeking admission into the Club, and the three best players in this special tournament will have the privilege of challenging any member of the Club after the regular tournament is finished. (2) The Tournament Committee will fix a date before which all games should be played. Each game not played before that date will be scheduled by the committee for a definite time when it must be played. And then, the player who fails to appear will forfeit the game to his opponent. But if his opponent does not report, then each will be considered as losing one game. (3) Each man must play five games with every other member of the Club, a match consisting of five games. (4) The points are to be reckoned as follows: Checkmate one point for the winner; stalemate and draw one-half point for each player. (5) The man having the highest number of points will be declared champion. However, if anyone during the tournament ties or defeats the man who later becomes champion, he has the privilege of challenging the latter to a series of seven games. The winner of that series then will be the undisputed champion of the College. In case of a number of such challenges, the Tournament Committee will arrange a special tournament for the qualified men. (6) Both players of a match must report the same score to the secretary of the Club, Adams, '12, before it will be considered an officially played match and before the score will be entered upon the tournament record. (7) Disputed games must be reported at once to the Tournament Committee whose decision concerning them shall be final.

The members of the Club at present are: Sheffield, '11, Adams, Dubourdieu, Grant and Plant, '12, Clapp, Clark, Griswold and Woods, '13, Callahan, Dayton and Walker, '14.

The challenges so far are: Allen, '11, Clapp; Sidle, Woods; Boone, Callahan; Blackmar, Grant; Groves, Dubourdieu.

—McGowan, '14, has reported for assistant manager of baseball.

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HILL NOTES.

—Batchelor, '13, has withdrawn from the competition for assistant manager of Lit.

—Last week was the annual week of prayer in all American Colleges, and meetings were held here in several rooms. The meetings were well attended and were of great benefit. On Thursday evening Dr. Squires addressed the Y. M. C. A. Meeting.

—The following alumni have been on the hill during the last week: Sherwin, '67, Holbrook, '72, Dunham, '79, Kelsey, '98, Drummond, '06, Ferris, '06.

—The men to win their "H" in foot-ball this fall are: 1911, Burdick, Martin, Sidle; 1912, D. Root, Knox; 1913, Roberts, Stone, C. B. Thompson; 1914, McLean, Perry, Potter, Robinson. Manion, C. Root and Leavenworth lacked one game of obtaining the coveted "H".

—The November Lit. came out on Tuesday.

—Marsh, '14, met with a coasting accident last week and narrowly escaped serious injury; as it was he escaped with some bruises about the face. He is the first one to be injured this year.

—Last Friday, Nov. 18, Prof. Squires gave the first of a series of talks to be given on alternate Friday nights. These talks deal with the vital religious questions, and should be well attended. Those wishing to attend the lectures, which will be held in Silliman Hall or at Prof. Squires' home, should give their nam to Martin, '11, at once.

—A meeting of the Press Club was held in Silliman Hall on Monday evening, Nov. 14.

—A banquet was held in Utica last week in honor of Dr. Reid, '79, at which several of the faculty were present.

—It doesn't really matter; you can pay your Life subscription now if you wish to do so.

—The Seminar in Political Science met at the home of Professor Davenport, Thursday evening. The influence of the last election upon the nation was discussed.

—Owing to the fact that Steuben field was covered with snow, the Freshman-Sophomore foot-ball game has been postponed till some future date.

JUNIOR DEBATERS TO BE CHOSEN.

A new system of selecting the Junior debating team has been inaugurated this year by the Juniors. At a meeting of the class held Wednesday, a motion was carried that Prof. Lewis appoint a committee of two men from each one of the two debate sections; which committee is to select a team of four from each section to hold an intersectional debate before the whole class. From the debaters is to be chosen the class team. The committee appointed was Bedenkapp and Boone for section A, and Bagg and Knox for section B. The intersectional debate is to be held soon, in order that the question and sides for the interclass debate may be chosen before Christmas.

PSI UPSILON INFORMAL.

The Psi of Psi Upsilon gave an informal dance at the Chapter House Friday evening, November 18th. The patronesses were Mrs. Mitchell of Weedsport, Mrs. MacFarland of Rome and Mrs. Taylor of Clinton. The other guests were Miss Wilder, Miss Jones, Miss VanSize, Mrs. Hitzelberger, of Utica; Miss MacFarland, Miss Olney, Miss Wardwell and Miss Smith of Rome, Miss Dye of Gloversville, Miss Starkweather of Johnstown, Miss Mitchell of Weedsport, Miss Smith of Auburn, Miss Booth, Miss Zeeveld, Miss Calkins, of Rochester; Miss Hutton of Albion, Miss Ryan of Fultonville, and Miss Metcalf of Clinton. There were also present Dr. F. H. Wood, Ross, Williams, '08, Willoughby, '09, Dr. MacFarland and Mr. Doty of Colgate Academy. The music was furnished by Ryan of Utica. Van Slyke served.

MEETING OF THE UPPERCLASSMEN COMMITTEE

The recently appointed upperclassmen committee held a meeting at the Silliman Hall on Tuesday, Nov. 15. The following members were present: Colson, chairman, E. H. Jones, S. W. Jones, Mitchell, '11, Bates, Boone, Connell, Erskine, and Donaldson, '12. The purpose of the meeting was to formulate a few general rules to be operative next year during the first few weeks while gym. showing is being carried on. Various rules were brought up and discussed. Those acted upon by the committee will be referred to a meeting of the two upper classes. If they are then agreed upon, they will be accepted and will go into effect next year.

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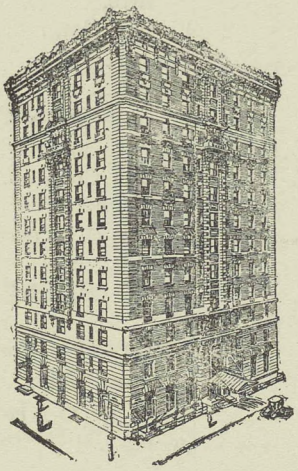

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